

On Sunday the 7th of December 1941 as we left Sunday School we were all shocked to hear of the bombing of Pearl Harbor. We realized that this was war for us and that those of us still in school would be eligible for military service in the near future.

On the 18 February 1942 I received a letter from my draft board in Newport Rhode Island stating I had been reclassified into 1A. As the need for men increased, a deviated septum and several pounds underweight were not considered as important reasons for being deferred.

On the 6th of April 1942 I received a letter from the Draft Board in Newport stating that I was to report to the Draft Board in Provo on the 22 April 1942 for an interview and that I was to be inducted on the 1st of May. Since I had already enrolled in school for the Spring Quarter I wrote to the Board requesting a 30 day extension to finish the Spring Quarter's work. On the 27th of April 1942 I received word from the Board stating that my request had been granted and that I would be allowed to complete the Spring Quarter. About the middle of May I received my induction notice for the second of June 1942.